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7. (Confidential - GLC) At lunch today I raised with Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, the issue of the recent prohibition on the payment of shipping expenses of foreign made vehicles after 31 December 1972 (see Journal of 9 November). I asked if any consideration could be given to those employees who had purchased vehicles prior to the imposition of this rule in October of this year. Preston said Chairman Mahon was adamant on this issue. He said the Chairman will not permit any exceptions whatsoever regarding this ruling. He added that any employee who purchased a foreign made vehicle prior to October of this year could have the shipping cost to the U.S. paid by the Government only if the vehicle is shipped prior to 31 December 1972.

8. (Confidential - JMM) Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, visited Headquarters for a briefing by DDS&T on a sensitive technical collection project. All indications were that they were satisfied with the briefing and are prepared to support the project. Prior to the briefing they toured the exhibit on the Cuban missile crisis on which they were briefed by [ ] OSA, and [ ] NPIC. Following the briefing they attended a lunch hosted by the Executive Director and attended by representatives of the DDS&T, IC, and OLC.

9. (Confidential - JMM) Martha Mewborn, in the office of Representative W. S. Stuckey, called to say a constituent had been in touch with someone in Air America named Dick Johnson regarding a position as a helicopter pilot, but Stuckey's office, in trying to follow up on this application, had found there is no one of that name in the Air America office. I said I could only suggest that she call the Air America personnel officer, and perhaps arrange for the constituent to submit a new application for employment.

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3. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Talked to [ ] FE Division, STAT who told me that AID is going to the field to clear a response to Representative Burt Talcott (R., Calif.) concerning a constituent complaint that AID and Air America had interfered with a shipment of Bibles by the Underground Evangelical Society for delivery from Laos to China. AID's draft response indicates that the shipment of Bibles was sent to an individual employed by AID in Laos and that AID had refused authorization for use of Air America, a contract carrier, to transport the Bibles. This response will be cleared with the AID office in Laos prior to transmittal to Representative Talcott.

4. (Secret - GLC) Talked with Dorothy Fosdick, Staff Director, Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, by way of followup to Senator Jackson's request that we get in touch with her if we had any new information on the situation in the Middle East. I told her there was really nothing new except for Sadat's replacement of his war minister and the fact that the Soviets were working to restore their relationships with the Egyptians but efforts thus far appear not to have been productive.

Miss Fosdick called late in the day and said Senator Jackson had asked if we would translate into French and German for him an address which he will give to the North Atlantic Assembly meeting. I told Miss Fosdick I would check with our people on this and see what our priorities were. When I suggested that they use the facilities of the Library of Congress, Miss Fosdick said they had done this at our suggestion once before and commented that the Library of Congress' translation had been very poor and had created some embarrassment for the Senator. I told her I would be back in touch with them on this tomorrow.

I asked Miss Fosdick about the Senator's itinerary with respect to his visit to Athens. She said they were departing Washington tomorrow morning for London and expected to be in Athens for a short time Sunday night. They will then visit the Mediterranean Fleet, go back to Athens for a brief stopover and then go on to Israel, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and other

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said the Senator's detailed itinerary would be available for my inspection in their office tomorrow. She added they are under instructions from the Senator not to release the itinerary as such.

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